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In the Application of Scotto, et al.)
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Dear Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the Final Office Action dated August 11, 2005, and is being filed during the Shortened Statutory Period set for response, which expires on November 11, 2005. Accordingly, it is believed there is no extension fee due in connection with this filing. However, if such a fee is due, the Commissioner is authorized to charge such a fee to Deposit Account No. 19-0733. Applicants submit the present paper to help narrow the issues for appeal.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims beginning at page 2, which supersedes all prior listings of the claims.

Remarks begin at page 8.